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FATAL MOTORCYCLE COLLISION SOUTH KOLB ROAD AND EAST LAKESIDE DRIVE

On February 8, 2022, just before 5:00 p.m., officers from Operations Division East responded to the intersection of S. Kolb Rd. and E. Lakeside Drive for a collision involving a motorcycle. Upon arrival, Tucson Fire Department personnel transported the motorcyclist to St. Joseph's Hospital with life-threatening injuries; however, he passed away shortly after arrival. Officers identified the motorcyclist as 56-year-old **Robert Daniel Rinehart**. His family was notified of his passing. Traffic Unit Detectives were briefed and undertook the investigation.

Interviews conducted by officers and detectives determined that Mr. Rinehart was riding a black/red 2020 Yamaha VMX17 motorcycle northbound on Kolb Rd. – in the middle lane. As Mr. Rinehart traveled north, he struck a gray 2011 Toyota Camry, which was making a left turn on to Lakeside Drive from southbound Kolb. Detectives learned that Mr. Rinehart was traveling above the speed limit and was not wearing a helmet at the time of the collision. Detectives also learned that Mr. Rinehart did not have a valid motorcycle endorsement on his driver's license.

The driver of the Camry was identified as 39-year-old **Katrina Lynn Cox**. Her driver's license was suspended at the time and detectives ultimately charged her with Causing Death by Use of Vehicle – a class 3 felony. The investigation remains ongoing and detectives are attempting to determine if impairment was a factor.

Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2021 - 7For 2022 - 15Pedestrian - 4Pedestrian - 6Bicycle - 0Bicycle - 0Motorcycle - 2Motorcycle - 3Vehicle - 1Vehicle - 6

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